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There on the pyre of the Suttee. The widow burn'd with her dead sponse There crimes, the adepts of Thuggee Have perpetrated, which arouse The horror and amagement mute Of all who rank above the brute. The blessings of the British rule.

And teachings of the Christian school Have mitigated-if not spent-The pow'r of sin, beneath which bent Unhappy Hinde for ages past-Nor their endeavors shall relent

Till triumphs gospel truth at last The' heathen, superstitious dread Broods o'er the mansion of the dead, No more the widow in the fire Is burnt, which lights her dead lord's pyre ! Tho' still his bideous idols hugs The Hindoo, and with poujas prays No more the "Strangler" of the Thugs

In Khalee's name his victim slays! A sculptor of Ellora's caves The secret of Thuggee engraves; Three thousand years, and more, are gone Since they were chisell'd in the stone ! There the " Deceiver "-such doth mean The name of Thug-witting is seen Beside his prey, who ne'er suspects

That he has welcom'd to his hall A is strangler " of the worst of sects, Whom Phunsigar the Hisdoos call. As follow-trav'lers they set out Upon a journey, while the "Scout "-Who is a " Novice" of Thuggee, Nor of the "Confraternity" As yet an " Adept "-notifies To the "deceivers," that a prize, Of worth, is now within their pow'r. The Phunsigar awaits the hour When he, the roomal, or the "noose"-A silken scarf with the Hindoos-Round his confiding victim's neck Sudden and unawares may tie-

So that of blood not e'en a speck Defile the mortal doom'd to die! Such is the mandate of Khalee, Who is the goddess of Thuggee ! Soon as the silent deed is done .. The strangled victim to inter; In solemn council they confer On the selection of a spot Where they may lay his corpse to rot; With the "pick-axe," by Khalee blest, His grave they scoop both strait and deep;

There his remains in secret rest-While tranquilly his murd'rers sleep ! Cautious their ruthless deed to hide, His wealth amongst them they divide-But Khalee's share first set aside !

Thuggee! thy crimes in days of old Ellora's sculptur'd caves have told! And still thy Thugs, unto this day, The same ferocity display; But Britain's justice, stern and keen, Thuggee! thy Phunsigar has been! To Christ thanksgiving for the same, And glory to the British name ! LARGER, PUNIAUR, 1867.

Note .- Khalee was another name for the goddess Doorga wife of Shiva the Destroyer, the third person of the Trimoon tee or Vedic Trinity. Khalee's name is found in Calcuttathat is, Khalee Khatta, or the shrine of Khalee, from an ancient temple of the goddess on the banks of the Hoogly on the site of the modern city, which locality I was shown in 1866. B. M. D.

## VARIETY.

THE FOUR-YEAR-OLD'S PRAYER .- Her father has been away from the city on business for two weeks, and the mother has taught the little one to conclude her evening prayers with "and please watch over my papa." Last evening the little lady solemnly clapped her hand and said: " Please watch over my papa, and you'd better keep an eye on mamma too!

A Yankee having told an Englishman that he shot on one particular occasion 999 snipe, his interlocutor asked him why he didn't make it 1,000 at once. "No," said he, "it's not likely I'm going to tell a lie for one snipe." Whereupon the Englishman, determined not to be outdone, began to tell a story of a man having swam from Liverpool to Boston. "Did you see him yourself?" asked the Yankee, suddenly. "Why, yes, of course I did. I was coming across and our vessel passed him a mile out of Boston harbor." "Well, I'm glad ye saw him, stranger, cos yer a witness that I did it. That was me.'

A " PINT" HE HAD'NT THOUGHT OF .- It was a friendly discussion on an incoming train from the South. "I am in favor of settling this thing at the

point of the bayonet!" shouted the "wah" Democrat. "Wal, frien' I ain't," was the reply of the ex-rebel, "fur I knows what pints of the bayonets is-I does-they is too doggoned

"Guess that's so," said the Democrat, cooling down, and growing thoughtful, "I hadn't calculated on that.

AN OBLIGING WITNESS .- We once knew an Irishman who bore evidence before a commission on the west coast of Ireland. Among other questions, as he seemed rather discursive and inclined to aver anything, one of the commission asked him if they had many whales there? " Is it whales?" answered Pat. "Sure, you may see them, like wather engines, spouting all over the place. Another of the commissioners gravely asked if there were any dog-fish there. "Dogs, magorra! faix, ye'd say so had ye'd passed the night there. Sure, we can't slape for the barkin' of them !" Lastly, one of the other commissioners asked him, "if flying fish abounded?" The answer was: "Arrah, an' if we didn't put up the shutters every night there would'nt be a whole pane of glass left in the house for the crathurs bateing against them, sure." This ended the court,

and the next day this genius came to ask for

his expenses, exclaiming, "Sure, now, honey, MPORTER AND DEALER IN CLOTH-ING, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Jewelry, Perfumery, Pocket Cutlery, and every description of Gent's Superior didn't I swear to everything ye asked me?" JIM KEENE'S WAY.—Speculators who lounge in Jim Keene's private office during stock exchange hours describe his way of operating as N. E. CORNER OF FORT AND MERCHANT STREETS. jal3 ly being remarkable. When the market gets dull and the current seems setting against his in-

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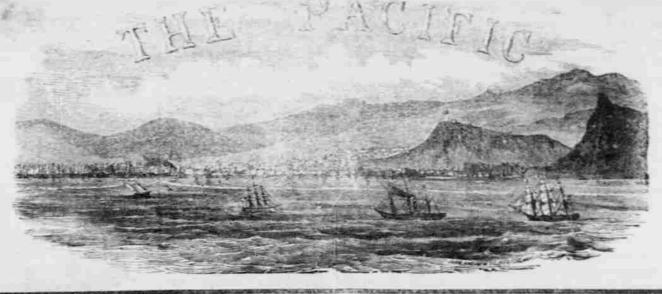
fresh from the exchange.
"Lake Shore is 25," replies the broker. " Sell two thousand at the market!" Another broker enters.

" How's Lake now?" inquires Keene. " Fifty-two and one eighth!" "Thunder and lightning! So that's the way they lick it up! Want Lake, do they? Anxious to buy Lake! Well, they shall have Lake! Run

over and shoot 'em five thousand !" The broker goes to the exchange, sells the stock, breaks the price to 513, and returns.

"How do they feel now?" inquires Keene.

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